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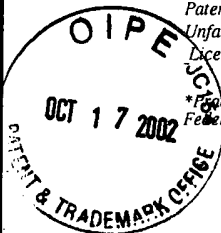
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RE: U.S. application no. 10/090,018
Request for Correction and Request for Refund

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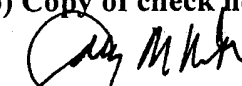
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Karl-Rudolf HEGEMANN

Serial No.: 10/090,018

Date Filed: February 28, 2002



Group Art Unit: 1742

For: **METHOD OF TREATING GASES ISSUED FROM A SINTERING PLANT**

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

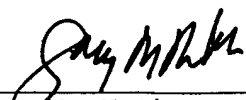
Applicant respectfully requests a correction of the application captioned above in which the filing receipt states that 26 claims were filed and that fees paid were indicative of the number of claims filed.

Applicant filed 22 claims, as stated on the attached fee calculation sheet filed Feb. 28, 2002. A Preliminary Amendment was filed to removed multiple dependencies concurrently. It is apparent that the Preliminary Amendment was not entered. Applicant encloses a copy of the Preliminary Amendment removing the multiple dependencies filed with the application on Feb. 28, 2002 and **requests that the Preliminary Amendment be duly entered**, retroactive to Feb. 28, 2002. A Request for Refund of the excess and multiple dependent fees erroneously charged to the applicant's deposit account is also attached.

Applicant requests that a response to this request be mailed to the attorney of record listed below along with a corrected filing receipt. If there are any questions concerning this matter, please notify the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:


Applicant respectfully requests a refund of money taken from deposit account no. 14-0112. Applicant believes the money was taken in error for excess and multiple dependent claims, when in fact a Preliminary Amendment to remove the multiple dependent claims was filed with the application on February 28, 2002. A check for \$776.00 was included with the application and covered the 2 excess claims. Copies of which are transmitted herewith.

Thus, applicant respectfully requests that the amounts of \$36.00 for fee code 103, \$280.00 for fee code 104 (both dated March 11, 2002), and \$252.00 for fee code 103 (dated March 28, 2002) for a total of \$566.00 be credited back to deposit account no. 14,0112.

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Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98. Please note the following particulars:

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Copies of the documents are attached herewith with a completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is respectfully requested to cite the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 in the next Office Action. In so doing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each document on the Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicants, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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